REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5 remain pending in the application. Claims 4 and 6 have been cancelled. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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